

## ARM. ANURJ 'DREAM'

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In *KZ* 97,130 (1984) I studied the Greek noun ὄνειρο- (masc. and neut.) and its development from the moribund heteroclite ὄναρ < \*Hónr or \*OVnr = \*nr. The new stem \*ὄνερπο- would represent a thematization of a revised locative \*Aʷneri<sup>1</sup>, and the duplicate gender is thereby easily explicable. I remain satisfied with my account of the Greek noun.

I then remarked: "The vocalism of *anurj* cannot be equivalent to that of τέκμωρ, beside τέκμαρ, since I consider that τέκμωρ must be an old plural \*-mrA to τέκμαρ < \*-mr." This then led me, as it has all others in the past, to seek a difficult solution by adopting the great complexity of a separate and different starting stem form for the Armenian from that attested in Greek. I realize now that I have meantime reached a conclusion which makes all that complexity unnecessary.

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1. It is not necessary to assume an *a-* colouring laryngeal as I allowed for the Cretan ἀναιρός. If Cretan replaced \*ὄνερι with an analogical \*ὄναρι(-), the observed ἀναρι(-) would simply reflect assimilation.

I have shown in *AArmL* 11, 21 (1990) that the recognized equation of *ul* (*uluc'*, as an animal term, or *uloc'*) ‘kid, fawn’ = πῶλος ‘foal, filly’ goes back to \**pōl* < \**polH* < \**plH*. This means that these two rules applying to liquid + laryngeal in final position are shared by Greek and Armenian. We must expect, then, that the same two rules that produce ūδωρ in Greek from \**udr*-A, a collective, will apply likewise in Armenian.

Since in such a collective-plural of a neuter heteroclite we must look for zero-grade throughout we can confidently reconstruct *anurj-* as \**anur-y-* < \**Hnōr* < \**Xʷnōr* < \**XʷnorH* < \**Xʷnr-A*. At the Helleno-Armenian level we find the yod derivation as well as the outcome \**ōr* for final \**rH*.

The morphology of \**XʷnrA* exactly matches the plurale tantum of attested *anurj-k'*, the preferred plural of ὀνείρωτα, and even the phonology of the feminine Albanian Geg ândërr(ë), Tosk ëndërrë < \*â*n*(ë)rrë < \*á*narnā* < \**onrH-nā* or \**onri-nā* < \**onr-nā*. The Albanian shows \* -*nā* with *n*-state of the heteroclite stem for the collective-plural.

We now see that ūδωρ, ὀνερπο-, and \**anur-y-* as \*\**XʷVnr*, \**Xʷneryo-*, and \**Xʷnōr-y-* respectively form as a set a remarkable multiple agreement binding together Hellenic and Armenian.

## **ARM. SAYR ‘KNIFE EDGE’**

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Birgit A. Olsen posits (*AArmL* 10, 1989: 12) a rather rare type of formation for *sayr-i* < \**kEris*. In any case, I would have \**kQris*. But, more to the immediate point, a Schwundstufe *i*- formation (nominalization) to a *-ró-* formation gives one pause.

If a ‘knife edge’ is a \*‘sharpening’, and hence related to *sur* ‘sharp’ > \**keO-ró-* and *sur* ‘sword’ then perhaps *sayr* would reflect a conflation of \**keO-tēr* ‘a sharpener’ (> \*\**suyr*) and \**kQsr* (the old heteroclitic verbal noun.)

These could have produced \**kQ-sēr* > *kahir* > \**sair* > *sayr*. A related stem in \**ka-sn-* could have been eliminated.

## ARM. GEWL 'VILLAGE'

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J. E. Rasmussen has given us a brilliant and characteristically meticulous explanation of this difficult Armenian noun, strong stem-state *gewt-* (> *giwt*, etc.), weak stem-state *getj-* "middle" stem-state *giwti-*.<sup>2</sup> These stem forms would go back to \**geli*, \**gely*--, and \**geli*-- and hence to \**wél-ōy* , \**w(e)l-y-ós* etc. The last form is aided in its explanation by such Greek words for 'crowd' as ἀλής, Aeol. ἀολλής, εἴλη/ἴλη, and ἄλις 'heaps of, enough'; in that regard I would suggest that the apparent \*-n-suffix (required by the Greek vowel lengthenings) had replaced the old \*-Héi- argued by me below.

This is a very satisfying solution, and as Rasmussen remarks in footnote 9, it takes {nearly} full account of all phonological and morphological detail. I have just one set of interlocking proposals to add. Parenthetically, they also address my dissatisfaction with the overly rich armory of IE inflectional accent types here with which Rasmussen and others implied in his references operate.

Surely we need to account for the aspirate in Vedic *sákhā* = YAv. *haxa* (: Lat. *socius*, OE *secg* : ἀοσσέω 'help': Myc. *e-qe-ta*, ἐπέταξ). Observing the relation of accent, vocalism of stem final,

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2. *Lingua Posnaniensis* 28, 1987, 31-4.

and deletion/apocope of final sonant/glide (shared with \*-r and \*nasal)<sup>3</sup>, we may reconstruct

N	<i>*sókʷHo:</i>	< <i>*sókʷ-Ho:</i>	: πειθώ
A	( <i>sókʷHoym</i> )	<i>sókʷ-Hoi-m</i>	(πειθοῦς)
D	<i>sókʷHyei</i>	<i>skʷ-Hi-éi</i>	
G ?	<i>sokʷHyós</i>	<i>skʷ-Héi-s</i>	
L		<i>skʷ-Héi</i>	

Alongside this we place the oxytone (IE lexically unaccented) paradigm (like that of *\*pAter-* or *ezn*):

N	Av. <i>kauua</i> , Lyd. <i>kaveś</i> <sup>4</sup>	<i>kow-Héi:</i>	< <i>*kou-Hé:i(-s)</i>
A	<i>kauuaēm</i>	<i>kow-Héim</i>	<i>kou-Héi-m</i>
D	Ved. <i>kaví-</i>	<i>kow-Hi-éi</i>	<i>kou-Hi-éi</i>
G	Av. <i>kauuōiš</i>	( <i>kow-Héi-s</i> )	<i>kou-Hi-ós</i>
L		<i>kou-Héi</i>	
Pl N	<i>kāuuaias</i>	<i>kow-Héi-es</i>	<i>kou-Héi-es</i>

Therefore our Armenian noun (and also *giwt* and *sp'iwr*, as Rasmussen suggests) must go back to the following, as a partial of the above:

N	<i>*uél-Ho:</i>	< <i>*uél-Ho:</i>
D	<i>uel-(H)i-éi</i>	<i>ul-Hi-éi</i>
I	<i>uel-Hi+bʰi</i>	<i>ul-Hi+bʰi</i>

3. Cf. my discussion of *\*dhégh-o:* in Albanian *dhë* ‘earth’, *KZ* 103, 1990, 289–92, esp. footnote 2.

4. *IF* 66, 1961, 21 ff.; regardless of the correct detail, the vocalism of the final syllable now becomes important for Lydian.

The Greek vocalisation of *l* is now very easily explained, and Rasmussen's analysis of ῥλις is confirmed.

As Rasmussen perceptively sees, the so-called diphthong stems were once much more frequent, and were a perfectly normal rule-governed formation.

In fact, I suggest that the suffix \*-Héi-/ -Hoi-, i.e. \*-Xéi-/ -Xoi-, was parallel in form to \*-Hon-, i.e. \*-X<sup>w</sup>on-, on which see my analyses of Celtic *abū*, gen. \*abens, Welsh *afon*, Breton *aven* 'river,'<sup>5</sup> and Latin *amnis*.

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5. See *Studia Celtica* 26-27, 1991-1992, 15-20, and references therein.